

COMPLETE LISTING OF ALL CLAIMS
WITH CURRENT STATUS AND MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES

1. (currently amended) A method of feeding a ~~non-encapsulated~~ choline compound to a ruminant animal that enables most of the choline compound to bypass the rumen, the method comprising:

(a) dissolving a non-encapsulated choline compound in drinking water; and

(b) ~~providing~~ allowing a ruminant animal to drink the choline-containing drinking water ~~to the ruminant animal~~ in a sufficient quantity to provide an effective amount of choline to the ruminant animal.

2. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein about 5 to 75 g of the choline compound is ~~provided to~~ drank by the ruminant animal daily.

3. (original) The method of claim 2 wherein the choline compound comprises choline chloride.

4. (original) The method of claim 3 wherein the choline-containing drinking water has a choline compound concentration of about 0.005 to 0.1 weight percent.

5. (original) The method of claim 4 wherein the choline-containing drinking water is provided to the ruminant animal in a quantity of about 80 to 120 liters per day.

6. (newly added) The method of claim 1 wherein the ruminant animal has a rumen and an abomasum and wherein more than 50 percent of the choline compound bypasses the rumen and reaches the abomasum without degradation.